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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. NRC-2013-0162]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted to OMB for review the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The NRC hereby informs potential respondents that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and that a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The NRC published a *Federal Register notice* with a 60-day comment period on this information collection on August 14, 2013 (78 FR 49551).

- 1. Type of submission, new, revision, or extension: Extension.
- The title of the information collection: 10 CFR Part 21, "Reporting of Defects and Noncompliance."
- 3. Current OMB approval number: 3150-0035.

- 4. The form number if applicable: Not applicable.
- 5. How often the collection is required: On occasion. Defects and noncompliance are reportable as they occur.
- 6. Who will be required or asked to report: Individual directors and responsible officers of firms constructing, owning, operating, or supplying the basic components of any facility or activity licensed under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, or the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended, to report immediately to the NRC the discovery of defects in basic components or failures to comply that could create a substantial safety hazard.
- 7. An estimate of the number of annual responses: 447 (96 reporting responses + 1 third party disclosure response + 350 recordkeepers).
- 8. The estimated number of annual respondents: 350.
- 9. An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 34,705 hours (9,420 hours reporting + 25,190 hours recordkeeping + 95 hours third-party disclosure).
- 10. Abstract: Part 21 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, requires each individual, corporation, partnership, commercial grade dedicating entity, or other entity subject to the regulations in this part to adopt appropriate procedures to evaluate deviations and failures to comply to determine whether a defect exists that could result in a substantial safety

hazard. Depending upon the outcome of the evaluation, a report of the defect must be submitted to the NRC. Reports submitted under 10 CFR Part 21 are reviewed by the NRC staff to determine whether the reported defects or failures to comply in basic components at the NRC licensed facilities or activities are potentially generic safety problems. These reports have been the basis for the issuance of numerous NRC Generic Communications that have contributed to the improved safety of the nuclear industry. The records required to be maintained in accordance with 10 CFR Part 21 are subject to inspection by the NRC to determine compliance with the subject regulation.

The public may examine and have copied for a fee publicly-available documents, including the final supporting statement, at the NRC's Public Document Room, Room O-1F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC's Web site: http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/. The document will be available on the NRC's home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer listed below by

(INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER). Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given to comments received after this date.

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Comments can also be e-mailed to Chad-s-whiteman@omb.eop.gov or submitted by telephone at 202-395-4718.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Tremaine Donnell, telephone: 301-415-6258.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this <u>20th</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2013.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Tremaine Donnell,
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Office of Information Services.

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